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### PENNSYLVANIA OFFICIALS THREATEN ARREST

Mother of Fugitive Declares That She Will Consult Attorneys Regarding Various Phases of Her Son's Case—Evelyn Thaw Expresses Deep Fear of Husband and Retains an Armed Guard—Eye Witness Tells of Dramatic Scene at the Matteawan Asylum During the Escape

New York, Aug. 18.—Harry K. Thaw, fugitive slayer of Stanford White, had had 31 hours of liberty up to 3 o'clock this afternoon and the only word concerning him since his sensational escape from Matteawan was a letter to his mother, written by himself. Even this did not disclose his whereabouts but said incidentally that all was well and that Thaw after "a rest" planned to go to the Thaw country place, Elmhurst, at Cresson, near Pittsburg.

Meanwhile, wherever he is resting, Thaw has proved an elusive fugitive. Rumors sprouted and flourished throughout the day but all that is certain is that Thaw disappeared in a cloud of dust early yesterday headed for the Connecticut state line in a high power automobile. That he boarded a yacht in Long Island sound, probably near south Norwalk, Conn., was the favorite among the theories advanced by confirmation of this was lacking.

If Thaw enters Pennsylvania, as his letter forecasts, the state officials according to today's despatches from Harrisburg, will refer the matter to the attorney general's office in the event New York seeks his extradition.

Mrs. Thaw, the mother, said this afternoon that she will commend whatever course her son takes. However, she will consult with counsel, relative to his entering Pennsylvania. She continued to openly rejoice at his escape, which she smilingly described as a "neat piece of work."

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## FIND BODIES OF FAMILY

Mother and Four Children Were Probably Killed By Father, Whom Officers Removed to a Hospital in Dying Condition—No Motive For Crime

New York, Aug. 18.—The bodies of Mrs. Mary Lake and her four children, Horace, 17; Walter, 8; Stella, 18, and Dorothy, 14, were found stark naked in their Brooklyn home today, horribly mangled. Besides them dying, was the husband and father, Henry Lake, a restaurant chef. Apparently he had killed all five, then fatally wounded himself.

The tragedy occurred as early as last Thursday, possibly Wednesday. Odors from the rooms aroused neighbors and at their request the police broke in.

The bodies of the mother and the two boys lay on the bed. The girls were stretched on the floor. All had been shot and several of the bodies bore evidences of having been repeatedly slashed with a knife.

In a corner, huddled in a pool of blood, with a gaping wound in his head, was Lake. He was in a semi-conscious condition and could only mumble incoherently.

The room was a wreck. Furniture was overturned and the walls were streaked with blood. A restaurant, where physicians said he could not live. According to his neighbors he was a kind father, not given to excessive drinking. The police are at a loss to fix a motive for the crime. He was about 45 years old and his wife was about 40.

Recalls Chancier Case.  
New York, Aug. 18.—The escape of Harry K. Thaw from Matteawan, in the opinion of lawyers, interested in the case, recalled the flight of John A. Chancier from the Bloomingdale asylum in 1900. Chancier, who has since changed his name to Chaloner, is free and living at his home in Virginia.

Chaloner was adjudged insane and committed to the Bloomingdale asylum at White Plains in 1897. A year before his escape Doctor Lyons of the asylum declared him to be a paranoiac and incurable. A year after his flight Chaloner was found by a Virginia court to be of sound mind.

In New York, however, he is still held to be insane and his escape in that state from a government gunboat at Hong Kong Saturday to take charge of the city.

Guerrilla fighting, in which the rebels are being aided by pirates, is proceeding against the government troops some miles beyond Canton. The guerrillas are principally bent upon looting.

On one corner of a street in Canton the bodies of 64 persons killed in the fighting Friday were found. All the men wore new uniforms.

The red cross has been unable to reach the zone of fighting in Canton, where frightful conditions are reported to exist among the wounded owing to the great heat.

The governor's Yamen, which was destroyed during the fighting, was the scene of wanton vandalism. The furnishings, such as vases, blackwood screens and other articles, were taken to the streets and smashed, while stationary objects which could not be removed, were battered to pieces by guns. Near the Yamen, a Chinese woman dressed in silk and having large pearls in her ears, was found. She had been shot through the head.

The treasury building, which was damaged by shells, was looted. Wholesale looting at Canton are taking place daily.

Foreigners Seek Refuge.  
Shanghai, Aug. 18.—Advices received from Nanking under date of last Friday say a sharp struggle was then proceeding for possession of Purple Mountain. Government troops from Chin Kiang were hurrying up to reinforce the besiegers. A steady artillery duel was proceeding between rebels on Lion hill and the northerners at Pukow. Foreigners in Hsai-kwan, a suburb of Nanking, had taken refuge on warships out of line of fire.

BURGLARS' RICH HAUL  
Gain Entrance to Newport Store and Secure \$10,000 worth of Loot—Overlook \$100,000 in Their Hurry

Newport, R. I., Aug. 18.—Burglars who entered the Hermann Jewelry store here some time after the place was closed Saturday night, obtained the jewelry and silverware valued at about \$10,000 but were frightened away when additional booty worth \$100,000 was theirs for the taking.

The burglars picked the lock on the

## MOUNTAINS HAS HEROINE

Plucky Little Woman Leads into Town a Burro Packing the Body of Her Husband Who Was Killed in Mine

Grizzly Gulch, Cal., Aug. 18.—A tired little woman leading a burro with a lopsided pack came down the mountains into this camp today and in no time at all was transfigured into a pitiful heroine. Every man in the street helped to undo the latches which fastened a plank coffin to the burro's pack-saddle and take it into a house where the little woman, who had not wept at all, cried her heart out over the body of her husband.

Her name, she presently told her new friends, was Mary Stribling. Her husband, P. T. Stribling, a prospector, was killed, and his partner was badly hurt, last Friday, in a cave-in on their claim. She made the injured man as comfortable as she could, put some provisions where he could reach them, and then built the coffin around her husband's body and succeeded in getting it on the burro's back. She walked 24 hours with hardly a stop to reach Grizzly Gulch, where her husband might be buried with suitable rites.

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## AWAIT WORD FROM MEXICO

President Wilson and Officials Appear Less Optimistic Over Situation—Rebels Meet Defeat Near Alasolo—Federals Repairing Railroad

Washington, Aug. 18.—Administration officials appeared to be less optimistic today over the Mexican situation, but still were waiting some word from John Lind which would make possible publication of President Wilson's views already in the hands of the Huerta government.

Chairman Bacon, of the senate foreign relations committee, conferred with the president.

"At least we have done our duty," said he, when leaving the executive offices. He discussed possible reception of the views of the United States.

"We have showed the world our friendly intentions and it will not be our fault if the suggestion are rejected."

There was an undercurrent of discussion of possible alternatives of which lifting the embargo on arms was one. Mr. Bacon declared that would be done only after all peaceful means had failed.

White House officials intimated the United States would take a deep interest in proper protection for William Bayard Hale, President Wilson's friend, who has been sending reports from Mexico. Though Hale has no official status, his presence in Mexico has been hotly attacked by Mexican newspapers.

Repairing Track and Bridges.  
Chihuahua, Mexico, Aug. 18.—(By Courier to El Paso, Aug. 18.)—Movements south and west by federal troops have started. General Felix Terrazas for the government is moving along the railroad west of here, repairing bridges and encountering small bands of rebels, with much success, according to official information. Movements in the direction of Jimenez and Parral are said to be contemplated by General Mercader. General Orozco, it is understood, will look after the northern end from Chihuahua to Juarez.

The government is paying its troops in this state regularly.

Communication south of Chihuahua City remains interrupted. On the line of the Northwestern communication is open only as far as San Antonio.

Rebels Defeated.  
Eagle Pass, Texas, Aug. 18.—Constitutionalists were defeated in their three-days' battle with federalists last week near Alasolo, about 100 miles south of here in Coahuila. They retreated Saturday and yesterday, declaring they had not sufficient ammunition to reply to the federal fire. About 7000 men were engaged on both sides.

No estimate of killed and wounded has reached here, although several wounded Constitutionalists have been brought to Piedras Negras.

Jesus Carranza, brother of the Constitutional leader, has gone to the front with reinforcements today.

The result of the federal success seems to be the driving of a wedge northward almost to the center of Carranza's stronghold and this wedge seems designed to separate him from his military capital at Piedras Negras.

Carranza for weeks has been in the vicinity of Torreon on the southwestern edge of Coahuila, far toward the interior of Mexico.

CLAYTON'S SEAT IS IN DOUBT  
Washington, Aug. 18.—The first actual break in the Democratic opposition to seating Henry D. Clayton, Governor O'Neal's appointee to the senate, succeeding the late Senator Johnston of Alabama, was made today by Senator Robinson of Arkansas, who issued a public statement taking the position that the governor had the power to appoint under the new seventeenth amendment. Clayton was waiting to present his credentials and force a test.

Dodgers Beat Cardinals.  
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## BATTLE OF EXECUTIVES

Clash of Authority of Sulzer and Glynn Is Hourly Expected

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 18.—The conflict between William Sulzer and Martin H. Glynn over the governorship of New York continued today. A clash of authority was expected late this afternoon at a meeting of the board of trustees of public buildings. The trustees include the governor, lieutenant governor and speaker of the assembly. The board has authority to assign quarters for state officers and departments and is said to have decided to name the assembly parlor on the third floor of the capitol as the temporary offices of the executive in view of governor Sulzer's refusal to vacate the executive suite on the second floor.

Mr. Glynn, as acting governor, Senator Robert F. Wagner, as acting lieutenant governor and Speaker A. E. Smith of the assembly plan to meet as the board of trustees. Governor Sulzer's friends say he has decided to attend today's meeting. Chester C. Platt, Governor Sulzer's secretary, is secretary of the board of trustees.

No Federal Action.  
Washington, Aug. 18.—So far as the federal government is concerned there will be no interference in the Sulzer-Glynn contest in New York state.

President Wilson told inquirers today that the question had not come up and recalled that a century ago when there were two contesting governors in Rhode Island and the national administration was called on to decide, the supreme court held that it was the duty of the federal government merely to guarantee a republican form of government to the state as prescribed in the constitution and no obligation developed in the federal government to interfere in the contest.

Will Recognize Sulzer.  
Madison, Wis., Aug. 18.—The governor's conference which meets at Colorado Springs, beginning August 26, will recognize Governor Sulzer of New York, according to Miles Riley, secretary of the conference. Mr. Riley said today that an invitation has been sent to Governor Sulzer and that none has been sent to Lieutenant Governor Glynn on that he saw no chance of the conference taking cognizance of the situation.

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